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Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 16, 1996, please amend the application as follows and reconsider the application in light of those amendments and the subsequent remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 55-58, and 60-61 without prejudice or admission.

Please amend claim 59 as follows.

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- 1 59. (Amended) A bifurcated [stent] prosthesis for use [in
2 juxtaposition with] near an angeological bifurcation of a blood vessel into two
3 branched vessels comprising a bifurcated proximal stent portion adapted to be
4 disposed within said blood vessel [in juxtaposition with said bifurcation], a
5 first distal stent portion adapted to extend across the bifurcation into one of
6 the branched vessels, and a second distal stent portion [segment joined to said

two connection